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The Illinois Department of Transportation is interested in maintaining close communications with industry. This newsletter highlights subjects which we believe will be of interest to you.

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Construction Manual on IDOT's Web Site

The 2002 <u>Construction Manual</u> is now available on IDOT's Web site at http://www.dot.state.il.us/constructionmanual/preface.html. Users can view specific sections or download the entire manual. The <u>Construction Manual</u> CD will be updated and released in even numbered years. Interim changes to the manual will be posted on the web as addendum at http://www.dot.state.il.us/constructionmanual/addendum.html.

Second Annual Painting Contractors' Conference IDOT held its second annual Painting Contractors' Conference March 11, 2003 in Springfield. The conference was well attended with over 50 attendees representing various painting contractors, the newly formed Illinois Association of Industrial Painting Contractors (IAIPC), as well as all nine IDOT districts and several central bureaus. Various topics including the Society for Protective Coating (SSPC) certification requirements, which take effect with the August 1, 2003 letting, were discussed and much useful information was exchanged. IDOT looks forward to developing strong working relationships with the IAIPC as well as the rest of the painting industry in order to continue our momentum and progress in this area.

Surety Company Contract Status Information on IDOT's Web Site Surety Company Contract Status Information is now available on IDOT's Web site at http://www1.dot.state.il.us/wcp/pestimate1.asp. This report reflects the current status of all active contracts per surety company. This data will be updated monthly and does not reflect the actual issuance of a payment by the Illinois Office of the Comptroller. Company names are listed in alphabetical order. Select the surety name and click on submit to view a report.

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Keep in touch with your representative on the IDOT/Industry Policy Committee and IDOT/Industry Joint Co-op Committee.

